

Appl. No.: 10/029,307
Amdt. dated: April 19, 2004
Reply to Office action of: November 21, 2003

REMARKS

The Office Action mailed November 21, 2003 has been carefully considered together with each of the references cited therein.

Claims 1, 5, 6, 9, 13, 17, and 20-24 have been allowed.

Claim 9, which was objected to, has been rewritten in independent form, incorporating the limitations of Claim 8.

Claims 10 and 11 have been amended to be dependent on Claim 9. Claim 12 is dependent on claim 11.

Claims 2, 3 and 4 were previously cancelled and Claims 7, 8, 14, 15, 16, 18 and 19 have been cancelled, without prejudice.

The application as now presented appears to be in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully solicited.

Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-3057. A duplicate copy of this Amendment After Final is also enclosed for this purpose.

Dated: April 19, 2004

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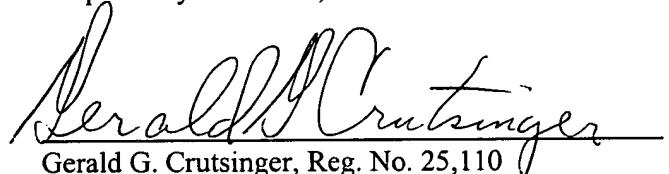
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